IN THE MATTER OF : NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

THE CERTIFICATES OF : STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

PHILLIP D. CERONE : ORDER OF REVOCATION

\_\_\_\_\_ : DOCKET NO. 1718-146

At its meeting of September 19, 2019, the New Jersey State Board of Examiners (Board) reviewed an affidavit that the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office forwarded regarding Phillip D. Cerone. On May 24, 2019, Cerone pled guilty to Criminal Sexual Contact, 4<sup>th</sup> degree. Cerone currently holds Teacher of Elementary Grades K-5 Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing.

Cerone agreed to relinquish his certificates with the force and effect of a revocation and all attendant consequences in his affidavit to that effect to the Board. At its meeting of September 19, 2019, the Board voted to accept Cerone's relinquishment with the force and effect of a revocation pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 6A:9B-4.7.

Accordingly, on this 19th day of September 2019, Phillip D. Cerone's Teacher of Elementary Grades K-5 Certificate of Eligibility with Advanced Standing certificate is hereby REVOKED, effective immediately. It is further ORDERED that Cerone return the above-mentioned certificates to the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners, Office of Certification and Induction, P.O. Box 500, Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 within 30 days of the mailing date of the decision.

Rani Singh, Acting Secretary
State Board of Examiners

Date of Mailing: via certified and regular mail

Appeals may be made to the Commissioner of Education pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.A.C.* 6A:4-1.3(b).